GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA

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PROJECTS UNDER PROVISION OF URBAN FACILITIES TO RURAL AREAS SCHEME
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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Panchayats which have submitted projects under the Provision of Urban Facilities to Rural Areas Scheme, State-wise; and

(b) the present position of these projects?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF PANCHAYTI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR):

(a) The Ministry of Rural Development have stated that under their scheme of Provision of Urban Amenities in Rural Areas (PURA), District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs) - and not the Panchayats have been asked to submit detailed project reports on the identified clusters.

(b) The Ministry of Rural Development, in consultation with Planning Commission, have decided to initially launch a pilot phase for the implementation of the PURA Scheme. Under the pilot phase, 7 facilities, namely, power, road, transportation, health, education, water supply and marketing are envisaged to be provided in selected clusters. The pilot phase has been launched in 7 States, with one cluster in each State comprising 10-15 villages.